EXHIBIT 38

Fill in this information to identify the case:			
Debtor 1 Alexander E. Jones			
Debtor 2(Spouse, if filing)			
United States Bankruptcy Court for the: Southern District of Texas			
Case number 22-33553			

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Proof of Claim 04/22

Read the instructions before filling out this form. This form is for making a claim for payment in a bankruptcy case. Do not use this form to make a request for payment of an administrative expense. Make such a request according to 11 U.S.C. § 503.

Filers must leave out or redact information that is entitled to privacy on this form or on any attached documents. Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements of running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. Do not send original documents; they may be destroyed after scanning. If the documents are not available, explain in an attachment.

A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and 3571.

Fill in all the information about the claim as of the date the case was filed. That date is on the notice of bankruptcy (Form 309) that you received.

	Part 1: Identify the C	laim						
1.	Who is the current creditor?	Estate of Marcel Fontaine Name of the current creditor (the person or entity to be paid for this claim) Other names the creditor used with the debtor						
2.	Has this claim been acquired from someone else?	☑ No □ Yes. From whom?						
3.	Where should notices and payments to the creditor be sent? Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure (FRBP) 2002(g)	Where should notice Chamberlain Hrd			different)			
		Name 1200 Smith Street, Suite 1400 Number Street Houston TX 77002			Name Number Street			
		City	State	ZIP Code	City	State	ZIP Code	
		Contact phone 713-356-1280 Contact email jarrod.martin@chamberlainlaw.com		Contact phone		_		
		Uniform claim identifier for electronic payments in chapter 13 (if you use one):						
4.	Does this claim amend one already filed?	✓ No☐ Yes. Claim numb	er on court claim	s registry (if known) _		Filed on	/ YYYY	
5.	Do you know if anyone else has filed a proof of claim for this claim?	✓ No☐ Yes. Who made	the earlier filing?					

	Do you have any number you use to identify the debtor?	No Yes. Last 4 digits of the debtor's account or any number you use to identify the debtor:					
7.	How much is the claim?	\$ Does this amount include interest or other charges? V No					
		☐ Yes.		ring interest, fees, expenses, or other ankruptcy Rule 3001(c)(2)(A).			
_ 3.	What is the basis of the claim?	. ,					
	Bankruptcy Rule 3001(c).						
	nformation.						
		See attached Exhibit A - Amount of Clai	attached Exhibit A - Amount of Claim is Unliquidated				
9. Is all or part of the claim secured? In No Yes. The claim is secured by a lien on property. Nature of property:							
			by the debtor's principal	residence file a Mortgage Proof of Claim			
		Basis for perfection: Attach redacted copies of documents, if example, a mortgage, lien, certificate of been filed or recorded.)	any, that show evidence title, financing statemen	e of perfection of a security interest (for t, or other document that shows the lien has			
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		Amount of the claim that is secured:	\$				
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		Amount necessary to cure any defaul	t as of the date of the	petition: \$			
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10	. Is this claim based on a lease?		as of the date of the p	etition. \$			
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12. Is all or part of the claim entitled to priority under	☑ No						
11 U.S.C. § 507(a)?	Yes. Check	Amount entitled to priority					
A claim may be partly priority and partly nonpriority. For example,	Domestic support obligations (including alimony and child support) under 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B).						
in some categories, the law limits the amount entitled to priority.	Up to \$3,350* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or services for personal, family, or household use. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7).						
, ,	☐ Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$15,150*) earned within 180 days before the bankruptcy petition is filed or the debtor's business ends, whichever is earlier. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4).						
	☐ Taxes of	\$					
	☐ Contrib	\$					
	_	☐ Contributions to an employee benefit plan. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5). \$					
* Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/01/25 and every 3 years after that for cases begun on or after the					ter the date of adjustment.		
Part 3: Sign Below							
The person completing this proof of claim must	Check the appro	ppriate box:					
sign and date it.	☐ I am the creditor.						
FRBP 9011(b). I am the creditor's attorney or authorized agent.							
If you file this claim	☐ I am the trustee, or the debtor, or their authorized agent. Bankruptcy Rule 3004.						
electronically, FRBP 5005(a)(2) authorizes courts							
to establish local rules							
specifying what a signature is.	I understand that an authorized signature on this <i>Proof of Claim</i> serves as an acknowledgment that when calculating th amount of the claim, the creditor gave the debtor credit for any payments received toward the debt.						
A person who files a fraudulent claim could be fined up to \$500,000, imprisoned for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 157, and							
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3571. Executed on date							
	/s/ Avi M	oshenberg					
	Signature	56116118619					
	Print the name of the person who is completing and signing this claim:						
	Name	Avi Moshenberg					
	ramo	First name Middle	name	Last name			
	Title Counsel for the Estate of Marcel Fontaine, Claimant						
	Company McDowell Hetherington LLP						
	Identify the corporate servicer as the company if the authorized agent is a servicer.						
	Address	1001 Fannin Street, Suite 240	0				
		Number Street					
		Houston	TX	77002			
		City	State	ZIP Code			
	Contact phone	713-337-5580	Email 2	avi.m <u>oshenbe</u>	rg@mhllp.com		

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EXHIBIT A

STATEMENT ON CLAIMS AND RESERVATION OF RIGHTS

Summary of Claim:

- 1. Renee Fontaine as Executor of the Estate of Marcel Fontaine ("Fontaine" or "Estate") files this Proof of Claim ("Proof of Claim") to preserve the Estate's claims against Debtor, Alexander E. Jones ("Debtor" or "Jones"), which are pending in Cause No. D-1-GN-18-001605, 459th District Court of Travis County, Texas ("District Court Case"). A true and correct copy of Fontaine's Petition is attached as <u>Exhibit 1</u>. Fontaine asserts this Proof of Claim against Debtor for defamation and intentional infliction of emotional distress.¹
- 2. Fontaine brought claims against Debtor as a result of defamatory statements published by Free Speech Systems, LLC ("FSS") following the mass shooting at Stoneman Douglass High School in Parkland, Florida on February 14, 2018. FSS spread falsehoods on its website about Fontaine that he murdered seventeen people in the shooting. FSS is wholly-owned by Jones, a conspiracy theorist radio and internet personality who holds himself out as a journalist. FSS owns and operates Infowars.com, a website that hosts Jones' media broadcasts, publishes news articles, and holds itself out as a news and journalism platform. Along with his various business entities, Jones is the chief amplifier for a group that has persistently perpetuated a lie that the Sandy Hook shooting was a staged hoax; that the families who lost loved ones are actors who faked their relatives' deaths, and promoted harassment and abuse of the victims' families. Jones has deliberately employed these false narratives about the Sandy Hook shooting, the Parkland

¹ See Exhibit 1.

shooting, and numerous other national tragedies as part of a marketing scheme that has brought him and his business entities tens of millions of dollars per year.²

- 3. As a result of the lies promulgated by Jones and FSS, Fontaine was forced to endure malicious and cruel abuse, harassment, death threats, and a sustained barrage of venom and verbal assault on social media. Fontaine's reputation and image were injured, and he was exposed to public and private hatred, contempt, and ridicule as a result of the defamatory publications, which caused Fontaine's actual and substantial damages. Additionally, Fontaine suffered severe emotional distress due to this unwanted global publicity. Four years after the filing of the District Court Case, Fontaine tragically died in an apartment fire on May 19, 2022. The lawsuit filed by Fontaine continues on behalf of his estate.
- 4. On August 2, 2018, Fontaine's claims for intentional infliction of emotional distress were dismissed in part. The dismissal order is subject to appeal after rendering of the final judgment.
- 5. At this time, Fontaine's damages are unliquidated. Fontaine submits this Proof of Claim in an unliquidated amount, with pre- and post-judgment interest, which does not include costs, attorney's fees allowed by law, or punitive damages, for which Fontaine reserves all rights.
- 6. Fontaine files this Proof of Claim to preserve its claims against Jones, which would be potentially lost or negatively affected otherwise.

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² See Seth Brown, Alex Jones's Media Empire Is a Machine Built to Sell Snake-oil Diet Supplements, N.Y. MAG. (May 4, 2017), http://nymag.com/selectall/2017/05/how-does-alex-jones-make-money.html; Alex Seitz-Wald, Alex Jones: Conspiracy, Inc., SALON (May 2, 2013), https://www.salon.com/2013/05/02/alex jones conspiracy inc/.

- 7. Fontaine reserves its right to Article III adjudication of the "liquidation or estimation" of the Estate's claims "for distribution purposes" and respectfully does not consent to a final order in the bankruptcy proceeding.³
- 8. Fontaine reserves the Estate's right to a jury trial and respectfully does not consent to conducting the jury trial in the bankruptcy proceeding.⁴
- 9. Fontaine does not waive, by filing this limited Proof of Claim or appearing in this case, and expressly reserves, any right whether jurisdictional, procedural, or otherwise, including, but not limited to, any rights against the Debtor, and any non-debtor affiliates or insiders, including: (i) members of Jones' family; (ii) FSS; (iii) estates of the foregoing individuals; (iv) entities owned, controlled or operated by Jones, members of his family or estates of the foregoing individuals; (v) Auriam Services; (vi) Blue Ascension; or (vii) PQPR and/or FSS's prepetition counsel or other professionals.
- 10. Fontaine does not waive or release the Estate's rights or claims against any person, entity or property, including, but not limited to, any and all applicable insurance related to its Proof of Claim.
- 11. Fontaine does not waive or release any and all of its remedies and rights under applicable state or federal law outside of title 11.
- 12. Fontaine does not waive or release its right to have any and all final orders in any and all non-core matters or proceedings entered only after *de novo* review by a United States District Court Judge.

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³ See 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(b)(2)(B) and 157(b)(5); see also Wellness Int'l Network, Ltd. V. Sharif, 135 S. Ct. 1932, 1944 (2015); Stern v. Marshall, 546 U.S. 462, 478-79 (2011); In re Roman Catholic Church for the Archdiocese of New Orleans, No. 21-1238, 2021 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 160497 (E.D. La. 2021); In re Residential Capital, LLC, 536 B.R. 566 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2015).

⁴ 28 U.S.C. § 1411; See In re Clay, 25 F. 3d 190.

- 13. Fontaine does not waive or release its right to withdraw the reference with respect to the subject matter of this Proof of Claim, any objection thereto or other proceedings, which commenced with respect thereto, or any other proceeding that may be commenced in this cause against or otherwise involving Fontaine.
 - 14. Fontaine does not waive or release the Estate's right to the election of a remedy.
- 15. Fontaine reserves its rights to amend, modify, and/or supplement any of the claims set forth in this Proof of Claim, including its exhibits, at any time, including after the claims bar date, in any manner, including but not limited to: (i) supplement or amend this Proof of Claim or any related documents and other information, and to describe further the claims asserted herein; (ii) assert any and all additional amounts that are due, or may become due from the Debtor including, without limitation, amounts owed both before and after the date of the commencement of the Debtor's bankruptcy case that remain outstanding in an undetermined amount, or are otherwise unmatured, unliquidated and/or contingent as of the date hereof; and (iii) fix and liquidate the amount of unmatured, contingent, and unliquidated claims. Fontaine expressly reserves the right to attach, produce, and/or rely upon additional documentation or other evidence that supports his claims, including any additional documents or other evidence that may become available after further investigation or discovery.

Dated: April 11, 2023

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EXHIBIT 1

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CAUSE NO. <u>D-1-GN-18-</u>001605

MARCEL FONTAINE, Plaintiff	§ §	IN DISTRICT COURT OF
VS.	§ §	TRAVIS COUNTY, TEXAS
ALEX E. JONES, INFOWARS, LLC, FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC, and KIT DANIELS,	9 § §	459TH DISTRICT COURT
Defendants	§	

PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION, INTERROGATORIES, REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION, REQUEST FOR ADMISSIONS, AND REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE

Plaintiff MARCEL FONTAINE files this original petition against Defendants, ALEX JONES, INFOWARS, LLC, FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC, and KIT DANIELS, and alleges as follows:

DISCOVERY CONTROL PLAN

1. Plaintiff intends to seek a customized discovery control plan under Level 3 of Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 190.4.

PARTIES

- 2. Plaintiff Marcel Fontaine in an individual residing in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 3. Defendant Alex E. Jones is a resident of Austin, Texas. He is the host of radio and web-based news programing, including "The Alex Jones Show," and he

owns and operates the website InfoWars.com. Mr. Jones can be served at 100 Congress Avenue, 18th Floor, Austin, TX 78701.

- 4. Defendant InfoWars, LLC is a Texas limited liability company with principal offices located in Austin, Texas. It may be served at the address of its registered agent, Elizabeth M. Schurig, at 100 Congress Avenue, 22nd Floor, Austin, TX 78701.
- 5. Defendant Free Speech Systems, LLC is a Texas limited liability company with principal offices located in Austin, Texas. It may be served at the address of its registered agent, Eric Taube, at 100 Congress Avenue, 18th Floor, Austin, TX 78701.
- 6. Defendant Kit Daniels is an individual residing in Travis County. At all times relevant to this suit, Mr. Daniels has been a reporter and writer for InfoWars. Mr. Daniels can be served at his last known address, 3501 South First Street, Apt. 261, Austin, TX 78704.

JURISDICTION & VENUE

- 7. The damages sought in this case exceed the minimum jurisdictional limits of Travis County District Courts.
- 8. Venue is proper in Travis County, Texas, because a suit for damages for defamation may be brought in the county in which a defendant resided at the time of filing, or the domicile of any corporate defendant, at the election of the plaintiff. *See* Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §15.017.

FACTUAL BACKGROUND

- I. Defendants' Long History of Reckless Defamation Has Resulted in Harassment Against Innocent Parties.
- 9. InfoWars was created in 1999 by Alex Jones, who has controlled its operations since its inception and up to the present day. Wikipedia describes InfoWars as follows:

InfoWars is an American conspiracy theorist website and media platform owned by Alex Jones's Free Speech Systems LLC. The site has regularly published fake stories which have been linked to harassment of victims.¹

- 10. Mr. Jones' recklessly opportunistic career is littered with the fallout from his willful pattern of malicious defamation, most notably a series of high-profile incidents over the past few years. Mr. Jones garnered significant attention for his slander against the victims of the Sandy Hook massacre, claiming he has seen "evidence" that could lead people to believe "that nobody died there." Jones has also claimed that the 9/11 attacks were "an inside job" involving the U.S. government.
- 11. Mr. Jones was also one of the purveyors of the "Pizzagate" story, which is the allegation that elites in the Democratic Party oversaw a pedophile slave

¹ See https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/InfoWars, citing numerous published reports.

² "Alex Jones Refuses to Apologize for Sandy Hook Conspiracy Theory." *Newsweek*. June 19, 2017. Last available at: http://www.newsweek.com/alex-jones-megyn-kelly-sandy-hook-infowars-627129 ³ *Id*.

dungeon in the basement a Washington, D.C. pizzeria.⁴ Mr. Jones told his audience, "You have to go investigate it for yourself...Something's going on. Something's being covered up. It needs to be investigated."⁵ He also expressed a desire to investigate the pizzeria in person.⁶

- 12. The following week, on December 4, 2016, an armed man fired shots inside the pizzeria as part of a plan to uncover the conspiracy. Multiple media outlets confirmed that the perpetrator was a fan of InfoWars internet and radio programing. Under threat of suit from the owner of the establishment, Mr. Jones gave a statement on March 24, 2017 walking back his claims, stating: "To my knowledge today, neither Mr. Alefantis nor his restaurant Comet Ping Pong were involved in any human trafficking as was part of the theories about Pizzagate."
- 13. On December 15, 2016, the InfoWars website featured stories making similar accusations against Austin restaurant chain East Side Pies, including ominous "undercover" videos speculating upon imaginary, hideous activities by staff or patrons. These stories generated harassment towards the restaurant and an act

⁴ "Conspiracy theorist Alex Jones backs off 'Pizzagate' claims." *The Washington Post*. March 24, 2017. Last available at: https://www.washingtonpost.com/lifestyle/style/conspiracy-theorist-alex-jones-backs-off-pizzagate-claims/2017/03/24

⁵ "Infowars Denies It Promoted 'Pizzagate' Conspiracy Theory After Deleting Content From Its Website." *Media Matters*. Last available at: https://www.mediamatters.org/blog/2017/02/24/infowars-denies-it-promoted-pizzagate-conspiracy-theory-after-deleting-pizzagate-content-its-website/215465
⁶ *Id*.

⁷ "Conspiracy Theorist Alex Jones Apologizes For Promoting 'Pizzagate'" *National Public Radio*. March 26, 2017. Last available at: https://www.npr.org/sections/thetwo-way/2017/03/26/521545788/conspiracy-theorist-alex-jones-apologizes-for-promoting-pizzagate

⁸ *Id*.

⁹ *Id*.

¹⁰ "Alex Jones Apologizes." *The Austin Chronicle*. March 31, 2017. Last available at: https://www.austinchronicle.com/news/2017-03-31/alex-jones-apologizes/

of vandalism on a delivery truck.¹¹ Mr. Jones acknowledged his role in promoting this conspiracy theory and apologized to the restaurant.¹²

- 14. On April 11, 2017, InfoWars published stories claiming that Chobani, an Idaho yogurt manufacturer, was "caught importing migrant rapists." Chobani filed a lawsuit against Jones, which Jones settled in Chobani's favor. Mr. Jones wrote: "On behalf of InfoWars, I regret that we mischaracterized Chobani, its employees and the people of Twin Falls, Idaho, the way we did." ¹⁴
- 15. On August 15, 2017, in the wake of the Charlottesville "Unite the Right" rally and the murder of counter-protester Heather Heyer, InfoWars published defamatory statements about Brennan Gilmore, the camera man who caught the fatal attack on film. InfoWars, through its website and video content, alleged that Mr. Gilmore was an agent of CIA and George Soros¹⁵ who assisted in conducting a staged murder. Those statements, which generated malicious harassment towards Mr. Gilmore, are the subject of a pending federal defamation lawsuit in Virginia.¹⁶
- 16. Mr. Jones also published reckless statements about the church shooting in Sutherland Springs, Texas. On November 5, 2017, Mr. Jones first shared his theory

¹¹ *Id*.

 $^{^{12}}$ Id

¹³ "Alex Jones settles Chobani lawsuit and retracts comments about refugees in Twin Falls." *The Los Angeles Times*. May 17, 2017. Last available at: http://www.latimes.com/nation/la-na-chobani-alex-jones-20170517-story.html

 $[\]overline{^{14}}$ Id.

¹⁵ George Soros is a venture capitalist and notable donor to left-wing causes and candidates. Mr. Soros is frequently featured in conspiracy theories about "globalist" control of American politics. Though not even in the top 10 of donors in American politics, Mr. Soros is seen in the InfoWars mythology as an insidious puppet master behind all left-wing political action.

¹⁶ See Brennan M. Gilmore v. Alexander E. Jones, et al., in the United States District Court for the Western District of Virginia, Charlottesville Division.

that the event was "part of the Antifa revolution against Christians and conservatives or a Isis op [sic]."¹⁷ On March 5, 2018, two conspiracy enthusiasts showed up at the church and yelled violent threats at the pastor.¹⁸

17. On November 27, 2017, InfoWars published false statements about the mass shooting in Las Vegas, claiming that "Vegas is as phony as a three-dollar bill or as Obama's birth certificate." Following InfoWars promoting his conspiracy theory, the survivors were likewise subject to malicious harassment. ²⁰

II. Defendants' Defamatory Statements -- Delivered to a Shockingly Massive Audience -- are Designed to Drive the Sale of 21st Century Snake-Oil.

- 18. There was a time when Mr. Jones was a fringe character, little more than a hyper-active carnival barker in the midway of early 2000s conspiracy theory culture. But over the past few years, InfoWars slowly adopted the mantle of "respectable" media outlet and somehow went mainstream. On May 22, 2017, InfoWars' Washington Bureau Chief was given White House press credentials.²¹
- 19. Today, InfoWars describes itself as "the frontline of truth journalism" and "the tip of the spear in alternative media circumventing the dying dinosaur

¹⁸ "Conspiracy Theorists Arrested Outside Site of 2017 Sutherland Springs Church Shooting." *The Washington Times.* March 6, 2018. Last available at: https://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2018/mar/6/conspiracy-theorists-claimingsutherland-springs-s/

¹⁷ Alex Jones (@RealAlexJones). *Twitter*. (Nov. 5, 2017, 3:14 PM).

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"Alex Jones: The Las Vegas Shooting Was as Phony as Obama's Birth Certificate." *Media Matters*.

November 27, 2017. Last available at: https://www.mediamatters.org/video/2017/11/27/alex-jones-las-vegas-shooting-was-phony-obama-s-birthcertificate/

²⁰ "I Hope Someone Truly Shoots You: Online Conspiracy Theorists Harass Vegas Victims." *The Guardian*. October 27, 2017. Last available at: https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2017/oct/26/las-vegas-shooting-conspiracytheories-social-media

²¹ "InfoWars granted temporary White House press credentials." *Business Insider*. May 22, 2017. Last available at: http://www.businessinsider.com/infowars-granted-white-house-press-credentials-2017-5

media systems of information suppression."²² The InfoWars brand now reaches an astounding audience. The InfoWars website alone receives more than 30 million page-views per month, to say nothing of its social media accounts and third-party video channels.²³ For comparison, MSNBC.com receives 40 million visitors per month.²⁴

- 20. Mr. Jones feeds his audience a steady diet of false information intended to convince them that a shadowy association of global elites are hatching countless insidious schemes to destroy their way of life or threaten their bodily fluids.²⁵ The combination of lies and paranoia are designed to drive sales to InfoWars' lucrative online store, where Mr. Jones sells "Brain Force" pills, "Super Male" vitality formulas, "Liver Shield" supplement drops, fluoride-free toothpaste, post-apocalyptic preparedness accessories, and a host of other products tailored to address the imminent threats forecast by InfoWars' defamatory new stories.²⁶
- 21. Mr. Jones' media operation has also entered the firearms business, promising his audience that "Registration Free Firearms Are A Reality" by selling

²² See https://twitter.com/infowars.

²³ See https://www.quantcast.com/infowars.com.

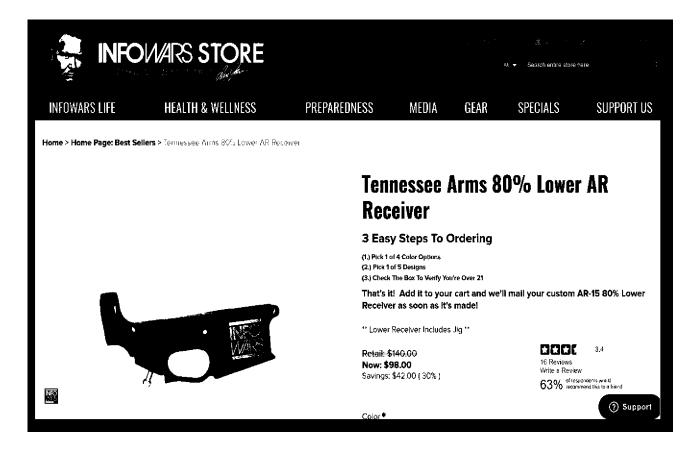
²⁴ See https://www.quantcast.com/msnbc.com.

²⁵ Sadly, this is not an exaggeration. Mr. Jones rails against what he believes is an international communist conspiracy to sap and impurify our bodily fluids, ranting in 2015: "What do you think tap water is? It's a gay bomb, baby. And I'm not saying people didn't naturally have homosexual feelings. I'm not even getting into it, quite frankly. I mean, give me a break. Do you think I'm like, oh, shocked by it, so I'm up here bashing it because I don't like gay people? I don't like them putting chemicals in the water that turn the frigging frogs gay! Do you understand that? I'm sick of being social engineered, it's not funny!"

Last available at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kpiUfb7adPE&feature=youtu.be&t=5m39s

²⁶ See https://www.infowarsstore.com

pieces of weaponry to be assembled by the purchaser.²⁷ InfoWars states that the ATF determined each InfoWars product "IS NOT A FIREARM in its present form. This means we can ship it directly to you to be completed."²⁸ For example, pictured below is an InfoWars-branded receiver for the AR-15:

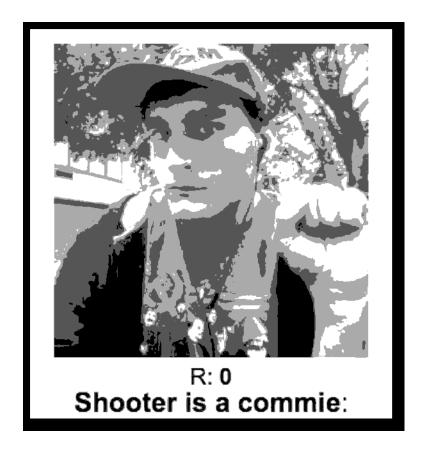


22. In sum, InfoWars is a business built on the idea of generating revenue from the paranoia stoked by its reckless defamation. Defendants' long history of dishonest and irresponsible reporting underscores the malicious nature of the defamatory conduct at issue in this lawsuit.

 $^{^{27}}$ See https://www.infowarsstore.com/home-page-best-sellers/tennessee-arms-80-hybrid-receiver.html $_{\it Ld}$

III. The February 14, 2018 Publication

- 23. On February 14, 2018, InfoWars published an article concerning the identity of the individual who attacked Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Florida, an event which garnered massive public attention. An archived copy of the article in question is attached as "Exhibit 1."
- 24. The InfoWars article was authored by reporter Kit Daniels, and it underwent several revisions. The article was alternatively titled "Reported Florida Shooter Dressed as Communist, Supported ISIS," "Florida Shooter Inspired by ISIS ALLAHU AKBAR," and "Reported Florida Shooter Discussed 'Allahu Akbar' on Instagram Profile."
- 25. The article was featured on the front page on the InfoWars website on February 14, 2018, the day of the Douglas High School shooting. The article, of which every element was factually incorrect, was also featured on social media accounts belonging to InfoWars and Kit Daniels.
- 26. Multiple iterations of the article included a photograph of the Plaintiff, Marcel Fontaine, and the articles conveyed the impression that the photograph depicted the suspected Douglas High School shooter. The image as used in the article is shown below:



- 27. Mr. Fontaine was not involved with the Douglas High School tragedy. Mr. Fontaine resides in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and has never traveled to Florida. He is an ordinary young man with no connection to these events. The articles were manifestly false and have caused him enormous injury and continuing personal harassment.
- 28. It appears that Mr. Fontaine was targeted by InfoWars due to the t-shirt he was wearing in his photograph. That novelty t-shirt, sold by online retailer Threadless.com, makes a visual pun on the phrase "communist party" by depicting

communist historical figures in a state of merriment and intoxication, complete with German economist Karl Marx wearing a lampshade on his head.²⁹



- 29. Mr. Jones and InfoWars have long been consumed with paranoia over the prospect of communist infiltration and indoctrination. Over the past year alone, InfoWars has featured hundreds of sensationalist articles and videos focusing on the of threat of communist agitation and conspiracies. When publishing the Plaintiff's photograph, InfoWars told its audience that it showed the Florida shooter dressed in "communist garb." (See Ex. 1).
- 30. Following the February 14, 2018 publication and endorsement by InfoWars, Plaintiff's photograph spread across social media platforms with astonishing speed, resulting in its distribution to millions of additional people, typically accompanied by ridicule or malicious threats.

²⁹ See https://www.threadless.com/product/383/the_communist_party

- 31. The content of the February 14, 2018 InfoWars article was republished verbatim by numerous ring-wing news websites, further increasing the distribution of the defamatory accusation.³⁰
- 32. Representative Larry Pittman, a Republican legislator from North Carolina, shared comments about Plaintiff's photograph following its mass distribution by InfoWars. Representative Pittman stated that it was "not surprising" because "many of these shooters turn out to be communist democrats." Representative Pittman claimed, consistent with InfoWars mythology, that a conspiracy of communist democrats "are doing these things to push for gun control so they can more easily take over the country." 32
- 33. So wide was the proliferation of Plaintiff's photograph following InfoWars' publication that it was being discussed by users on Chinese social media. While it is difficult to estimate the total number of people who saw the false accusation as a result of InfoWars' mass dissemination and endorsement, the figure would be measured in the hundreds of millions. Due to Defendants' conduct, Plaintiff's image has been irreparably tainted. InfoWars' story became a lie told round the world.

³⁰ See, e.g., http://www.libertyonenews.com/florida-hs-shooter-allegedly/">http://michaelsavage.com/?p=1206; http://www.libertyonenews.com/florida-hs-shooter-allegedly/; http://www.raptureready.com/2018/02/15/15-feb-2018/;

³¹ "NC Republican apologizes for 'clumsy' comment about 'communist Democrats.'" *The News & Observer*. February 18, 2018. Last available at: http://www.newsobserver.com/news/politics-government/state-politics/article200807499.html
³² *Id*.



- 34. Further compounding the defamation is the fact the Mr. Jones, Mr. Daniels, and other employees have used InfoWars' various media platforms to cast doubt on the facts surrounding the Florida shooting, just as InfoWars has done with prior national tragedies. The day following the shooting, InfoWars published a video of Mr. Jones stating that the Florida shooting was "a false flag of the deep state to create resentment towards conservatives, gun owners, and sow the seeds of civil war."³³
- 35. A "false flag" is common conspiracy theory lingo for a scenario in which a government orchestrates an attack on its own citizens while making it appear that the attack was actually carried out by an enemy nation or domestic terrorist, thus giving the government a pretext for some desired action. After the Douglas High

³³ See https://twitter.com/infowars/status/964220278002794496

School shooting in Florida, Mr. Jones told his audience that it was 90% likely the event was a false flag:



- 36. According to numerous press accounts, YouTube demonetized Mr. Jones' video content from its website following his claim that the shooting was a "deep state false flag operation," and that the survivors who have emerged as vocal critics of the gun lobby were actors.³⁴
- 37. Because InfoWars advises its audience to distrust mainstream media sources, the subsequent mainstream news reports showing Nikolas Cruz as the

³⁴ "YouTube Pulls Alex Jones Video Saying Student Anti-Gun Activists Were Actors." *Fortune*. February 24, 2008. Last available at: http://fortune.com/2018/02/24/youtube-pulls-alex-jones-infowars-video/

Florida shooter did not remove the threat to Marcel Fontaine. Some InfoWars readers now believe that Mr. Fontaine is part of the supposed "false flag" operation.

38. In one disturbing example, Twitter user @ExtinctMedia, an InfoWars reader, was confronted by other social media users over the fact that Plaintiff had no involvement in the Douglas High School shooting.³⁵ Undeterred, @ExtinctMedia posted what purports to be facial analysis between Plaintiff and suspect Nikolas Cruz, while also alleging that the shape of Plaintiff's nose had been altered, consistent with the use of "crisis actors."³⁶



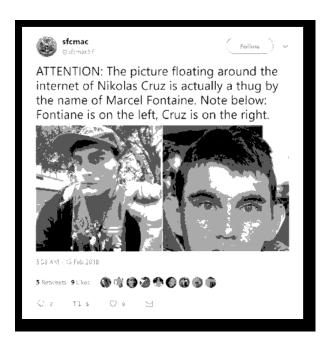
39. In other words, Mr. Fontaine continues to suffer harassment and peril even from individuals aware of his identify as a Massachusetts resident, but who nevertheless remain convinced he was part of a horrifying conspiracy. As part of InfoWars' reckless money-making scheme, Mr. Jones is causing his audience to

³⁵ See https://twitter.com/huitz_warrior/status/966154367286984704

³⁶ *Id.* A "crisis actor" is a term used by conspiracy theorists to describe individuals who they believe were paid by the government or global elites to play some role in a fake disinformation event.

disbelieve the basic facts of the incident in favor a labyrinthine conspiracy that calls into question the very nature of reality. These sorts of reckless lies are what caused a disturbed individual to enter pizzeria and begin firing.

40. Additionally, Plaintiff continues to suffer ridicule, harassment and threats of violence even from those who acknowledge that Plaintiff was not involved in the Florida shooting, such as the examples shown below:





- 41. Due to these events, it is no exaggeration to say that Plaintiff's life remains in genuine peril.
- 42. On February 26, 2018, Mr. Fontaine issued a demand for correction pursuant to Sec. 73.055 of the Texas Civil Practice & Remedies Code. Defendants did not respond.
- 43. Due to the reckless and malicious nature of Defendants' conduct, Mr. Fontaine now brings this lawsuit.

CAUSES OF ACTION

I. Defamation and Defamation Per Se

- 44. All previous allegations are incorporated by reference.
- 45. Mr. Fontaine is a private individual and is neither a public official nor a public figure.
- 46. The publications by Defendants were false, both in their particular facts and in the main point, essence, or gist in the context in which they were made.
- 47. The publications by Defendants directly used Mr. Fontaine's image in connection with a grievous national tragedy.
- 48. Defendants' defamatory publications were designed to harm Plaintiff's reputation and subject the Plaintiff to public contempt, disgrace, ridicule, or attack.
- 49. Defendants acted with actual malice. Defendants' defamatory statements were knowingly false or made with reckless disregard for the truth or falsity of the statements at the time the statements were made.

- 50. Defendants' defamatory publications were not privileged.
- 51. Defendants' defamatory statements constitute defamation *per se*. The harmful nature of the defamatory publications is self-evident. The defamatory publications implicate the Plaintiff in heinous criminal conduct. False implications of criminal conduct are the classic example of defamation *per se*.
- 52. Defendants publicly disseminated the defamatory publications to an enormous audience causing significant damages to the Plaintiff.
- 53. Defendants' defamatory publications have injured Mr. Fontaine's reputation and image, and they have exposed Mr. Fontaine to public and private hatred, contempt, ridicule, harassment, and death threats.
- 54. In light of their prior experience with these kind of reckless statements, Defendants knew that their publication would cause Plaintiff to suffer harassment and potential violence.
- 55. Defendants' defamatory publications have and will continue to cause harm to Mr. Fontaine. Due to Defendants' conduct, the Plaintiff has suffered and continues to suffer substantial damages in an amount to be proven at trial.

II. Intentional Infliction of Emotional Distress

- 56. All previous allegations are incorporated by reference.
- 57. Defendants knew or should have known that their publication of Mr. Fontaine's photograph connecting him with the Douglas High School shooting would

cause him to be the subject of harassment, ridicule, and threats, thereby causing severe emotional distress.

- 58. Defendants decision to publish Mr. Fontaine's photograph was outrageous and intolerable, going beyond all possible bounds of decency.
- 59. In claiming Mr. Fontaine's image as the Douglas High School shooter, Defendants acted intentionally or recklessly.

III. Conspiracy

- 60. All previous allegations are incorporated by reference.
- 61. Defendants acted together, as a cabal, to accomplish their campaign of defamation. Defendants had a meeting of the minds on the object or course of action underlying their pattern of recklessly defamatory publications.
- 62. As a result of this meeting of the minds, Defendants collectively committed the unlawful overt acts detailed above.
- 63. Defendants are jointly and severally liable for the injuries Mr. Fontaine suffered due to Defendants' wrongful actions.

IV. Respondeat Superior

- 64. All previous allegations are incorporated by reference.
- 65. When InfoWars employees acted in the manner described in this Petition, they did so as agents of InfoWars and within the scope of their authority from Mr. Jones.

66. InfoWars and Alex Jones are liable for the damages proximately caused by the conduct of employees and agents, including Kit Daniels, pursuant to the doctrine of *respondeat superior*.

DAMAGES

- 67. Plaintiff has suffered general and special damages, including a severe degree of mental stress and anguish which has disrupted his daily routine.
- 68. Plaintiff has also suffered damage to his reputation and image, both up to the present and into the future.
- 69. Because Defendants' conduct amounts to defamation *per se*, Plaintiff is also entitled to an award of presumed damages.
- 70. Plaintiff is also entitled to an award of nominal damages and a judgment clearing his name.
- 71. Plaintiff is also entitled to exemplary damages because the Defendants acted with malice.
- 72. Plaintiff is also entitled to pre-judgment and post-judgment interest, costs of court, and attorney's fees.
- 73. Pursuant to Rule 47 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff is seeking relief over \$1,000,000.

JURY DEMAND

74. Plaintiff demands a jury trial and tenders the appropriate fee with this petition.

REQUEST FOR DISCLOSURE

75. Plaintiff requests that Defendants disclose, within 50 days of the service of this request, the information or material described in Rule 194.2.

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANTS

- 76. Take notice that pursuant to Rules 192 and 197 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff serves the attached interrogatories, Exhibits "B", "D", "F", and "I" to be propounded to Defendants. You are hereby instructed to answer the following interrogatories separately, fully, in writing, and under oath as required by Rule 197.2(d) of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure and the provisions of Rule 14 shall not apply.
- 77. You are further advised that, pursuant to Rule 193.5, the party responding to these Interrogatories is under a duty to supplement his answer if he obtains information upon the basis of which (a) he knows that the answer was incorrect when made, or (b) he knows the answer, though correct when made, is no longer true and the circumstances are such that he failure to amend the answer is in substance a knowing concealment.
- 78. If any space left for your answer is insufficient, please attach a separate sheet to complete such answer. The answers shall be served upon the undersigned counsel within 50 days after the service of these interrogatories.

PLAINTIFF'S REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANTS

79. Plaintiff propounds the attached Requests for Production as Exhibits "C", "E", "G", and "I" pursuant to Rule 196 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, that Defendants produce or permit the undersigned attorney, to inspect and copy or reproduce the items hereinafter designated on Exhibits "C", "E", "G", and "J" attached hereto. Within 50 days after service of these Requests for Production, you must serve a written response to the undersigned attorney at 1010 Lamar, Suite 1600, Houston, Texas 77002, including the items requested or stating with respect to each request that an inspection and copying or reproduction will be permitted as requested. In the event a request is objected to, please specifically state (a) the legal or factual basis for the objection, and (b) the extent to which you refuse to comply with the request. Pursuant to Rule 193.2(b) of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, a party must comply with as much of the request to which the party has made no objection unless it is unreasonable under the circumstances to do so before obtaining a ruling on the objection. Furthermore, demand is made for the supplementation of your answers to these discovery requests as required by Rule 193.5 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

PLAINTIFF'S REQUESTS FOR ADMISSION TO DEFENDANTS

80. Plaintiff propounds the attached Requests for Admission as Exhibits "H" and "K" under the provisions of Rules 192 and 198 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure. You hereby are requested to admit the truth of the following matters for

the purpose of this action only and subject to all proper objections to admissibility which may be made at time of trial. Each of the matters to which an admission is requested shall be deemed admitted unless the party to whom the request is directed delivers responses, either denying specifically the matters to which an admission is requested or setting forth in detail the reasons why such cannot truthfully be either admitted or denied, to the undersigned counsel for Plaintiff within fifty (50) days after the delivery of this request.

81. Pursuant to Rule 215.4(b) of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure, take notice that should Defendant fail to admit the genuineness of any document or the truth of any matter as requested under Rule 198 and which follows hereunder and Plaintiff proves the genuineness of the document or the truth of the matter, Plaintiff shall seek an order from the Court requiring the Defendant to pay reasonable expenses incurred in making that proof, including but not limited to, reasonable expenses and attorney's fees incurred in making that proof.

PRAYER

WHEREFORE PREMISES CONSIDERED, Plaintiff Marcel Fontaine asks that the Court issue citation for each Defendant to appear and answer, and that Plaintiff be awarded all the damages set forth above, and to grant whatever further relief to which Plaintiff is justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

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DEFINITIONS FOR USE IN RESPONDING TO EXHIBITS "B" & "C"

As used herein, the words defined below shall be deemed to have the following meanings:

- 1. "Communicate" means conveying or sharing of information, ideas, or feelings, by whatever medium, be it oral, written, electronic, or otherwise.
- 2. "Contract" means any agreement or exchange of promises between two parties.
- 3. "Deep state" and "false flag" appear to be terms of art used within the mythology of InfoWars. Plaintiff will not attempt to precisely define these inscrutable phrases, but assumes their meaning is understood by those at InfoWars who use them.
- 4. "Document" means all handwritten, typed, audio recorded, video recorded, or electronic representation of any kind, including legal instruments, agreements, letters, e-mails, text messages, notices, specifications, instructions, literature, books, magazines, newspapers, booklets, notes, notebooks, log books, diaries, memoranda, manuscripts, manifestos, data compilations, reports, studies, analyses, surveys, calculations, videos, sound files, photographs, image macros, memes, blog posts, internet articles, social media posts, internet comments, screenshots, blockchains, illustrations, diagrams, symbols, runes, ciphers, maps, star charts, bulletins, circulars, telegrams, telexes, or any other reasonably similar representational thing, as well as any drafts of the aforesaid upon which have been placed any additional marks or notations.
- 5. "InfoWars," generically, means the brand name of the media organization founded by Alex Jones, whether operating as InfoWars, LLC, Free Speech Systems, LLC, or any other corporate name.
- 6. "Publication" means disseminating content to the public by any means, whether it be print, internet, video, radio, or otherwise.
- 7. "The article in question" means the InfoWars article attached as "Exhibit A" to Plaintiff's petition.

DEFINITIONS FOR USE IN RESPONDING TO EXHIBITS "D" & "E"

As used herein, the words defined below shall be deemed to have the following meanings:

- 1. "Communications" means conveying or sharing of information, ideas, or feelings, by whatever medium, be it oral, written, electronic, or otherwise.
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- 3. "Document" means all handwritten, typed, audio recorded, video recorded, or electronic representation of any kind, including legal instruments, agreements, letters, e-mails, text messages, notices, specifications, instructions, literature, books, magazines, newspapers, booklets, notes, notebooks, log books, diaries, memoranda, manuscripts, manifestos, data compilations, reports, studies, analyses, surveys, calculations, videos, sound files, photographs, image macros, memes, blog posts, internet articles, social media posts, internet comments, screenshots, blockchains, illustrations, diagrams, symbols, runes, ciphers, maps, star charts, bulletins, circulars, telegrams, telexes, or any other reasonably similar representational thing, as well as any drafts of the aforesaid upon which have been placed any additional marks or notations.
- 4. "InfoWars," generically, means the brand name of the media organization founded by Alex Jones, whether operating as InfoWars, LLC, Free Speech Systems, LLC, or any other corporate name.
- 5. "Publish" means disseminating content to the public by any means, whether it be print, internet, video, radio, or otherwise.
- 6. "Revenue" means income of any kind, whether directly or indirectly.
- 7. "The article in question" means the InfoWars article attached as "Exhibit A" to Plaintiff's petition.

DEFINITIONS FOR USE IN RESPONDING TO EXHIBITS "F", "G", & "H"

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- 1. "Communications" means conveying or sharing of information, ideas, or feelings, by whatever medium, be it oral, written, electronic, or otherwise.
- 2. "Document" means all handwritten, typed, audio recorded, video recorded, or electronic representation of any kind, including legal instruments, agreements, letters, e-mails, text messages, notices, specifications, instructions, literature, books, magazines, newspapers, booklets, notes, notebooks, log books, diaries, memoranda, manuscripts, manifestos, data compilations, reports, studies, analyses, surveys, calculations, videos, sound files, photographs, image macros, memes, blog posts, internet articles, social media posts, internet comments, screenshots, blockchains, illustrations, diagrams, symbols, runes, ciphers, maps, star charts, bulletins, circulars, telegrams, telexes, or any other reasonably similar representational thing, as well as any drafts of the aforesaid upon which have been placed any additional marks or notations.
- 3. "InfoWars, LLC" means the named defendant registered with the Texas Secretary of State.
- 4. "Free Speech Systems, LLC" means the named defendant registered with the Texas Secretary of State.
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- 6. "Published" means disseminating content to the public by any means, whether it be print, internet, video, radio, or otherwise.
- 7. "The article in question" means the InfoWars article attached as "Exhibit A" to Plaintiff's petition.

DEFINITIONS FOR USE IN RESPONDING TO EXHIBITS "I", "J", & "K"

As used herein, the words defined below shall be deemed to have the following meanings:

- 1. "Communications" means conveying or sharing of information, ideas, or feelings, by whatever medium, be it oral, written, electronic, or otherwise.
- 2. "Document" means all handwritten, typed, audio recorded, video recorded, or electronic representation of any kind, including legal instruments, agreements, letters, e-mails, text messages, notices, specifications, instructions, literature, books, magazines, newspapers, booklets, notes, notebooks, log books, diaries, memoranda, manuscripts, manifestos, data compilations, reports, studies, analyses, surveys, calculations, videos, sound files, photographs, image macros, memes, blog posts, internet articles, social media posts, internet comments, screenshots, blockchains, illustrations, diagrams, symbols, runes, ciphers, maps, star charts, bulletins, circulars, telegrams, telexes, or any other reasonably similar representational thing, as well as any drafts of the aforesaid upon which have been placed any additional marks or notations.
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(e.g., John Smith v. All American Insurance Co; in re Mary Ann Jones; In the Matter of the Estate of George Jackson)

A civil case information sheet must be completed and submitted when an original petition or application is filed to initiate a new civil, family law, probate, or mental health case or when a post-judgment petition for modification or motion for enforcement is filed in a family law case. The information should be the best available at

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Name:	Email:		Plaintiff(s)/Petitioner(s):		X Attorney for Plaintiff/Petitioner □ Pro Se Plaintiff/Petitioner			
.Mark D. Bankston	_mark@fbtrial.com		MARCEL FON	TAINE			V-D Agency	
Address:	Telephone:							
.1010 Lamar, Ste. 1600	(713) 221-8300		D.C. 1. (()/D. 1. (()		Additional Parties in Child Support Case:			
City/State/Zip:	Fax:		Defendant(s)/Respondent(s):		Custodial Parent:			
Houston, Texas 77002	(713) 221-8301		ALEX E. JONES, INFOWARS, LLC, FREE SPEECH		Non-Custodial Parent:			
Signature:	State Bar No:		SYSTEMS, LLC, and KIT DANIELS		Presumed Father:			
./s/ Mark D. Bankston	24034828			[Attach additional page as necessary to list all parties]				
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3. Indicate procedure or remedy, if applicable (may select more than 1):								
Appeal from Municipal or Justice Court Declaratory Judgment Prejudgment Remedy								
Arbitration-related Attachment	☐ Garnishment☐ Interpleader			☐Protective Order ☐Receiver				
Bill of Review	License		Sequestration					
☐Certiorari ☐Class Action	☐ Mandam ☐ Post-jude		☐ Temporary Restraining Order/Injunction ☐ Turnover					
Class Action Post-judgment Turnover 4. Indicate damages sought (do not select if it is a family law case):								
Less than \$100,000, including damages of any kind, penalties, costs, expenses, pre-judgment interest, and attorney fees								
Less than \$100,000 and non-monetary relief Over \$100,000 but not more than \$200,000								
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EXHIBIT "I"

Exhibit "I" PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANT FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC

INTERROGATORY NO. 1: Identify all persons answering or supplying information used in answering these Interrogatories and identify their job duties at InfoWars.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 2: What kind business is Free Speech Systems, LLC, *i.e.*, what does it do?

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 3: Describe the business relationship between InfoWars, LLC and Free Speech Systems, LLC.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 4: Identify the factual basis for any defense(s) to the causes of actions asserted in Plaintiff's petition.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 5: Identity any electronically stored information or documents relevant to Plaintiff's petition or your defenses which have been destroyed, deleted, corrupted, damaged, overwritten, or otherwise lost.

ANSWER:

EXHIBIT "J"

Exhibit "J"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 1: A copy of an organizational chart for Free Speech Systems, LLC.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 2: A copy of all legal claims or lawsuits filed against Free Speech Systems, LLC in the past ten years.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 3: A copy of all insurance policies which may apply to any part of a judgment rendered in this case.

EXHIBIT "K"

Exhibit "K"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR ADMISSIONS TO DEFENDANT FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 1: Admit that prior to responding to these discovery requests, you searched all documents in your possession or control that may contain responsive information.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 2: Admit that the article attached as "Exhibit 1" to Plaintiff's petition accurately reproduces the content of an article published on the InfoWars website on February 14, 2018.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 3: Admit that Marcel Fontaine had no involvement in the Douglas High School Shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 4: Admit that Marcel Fontaine had no involvement in a false flag operation involving the Douglas High School Shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 5: Admit that individuals were killed in the Douglas High School Shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 6: Admit that InfoWars published false statements about the Chobani corporation.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 7: Admit that InfoWars published false statements about Comet Ping-Pong and James Alefantis.

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 8: Admit that InfoWars published false statements concerning the Sandy Hook school shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 9: Admit that InfoWars published false statements concerning Brennan Gilmore.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 10: Admit that InfoWars published false statements about the Sutherland Springs church shooting.

EXHIBIT "A"

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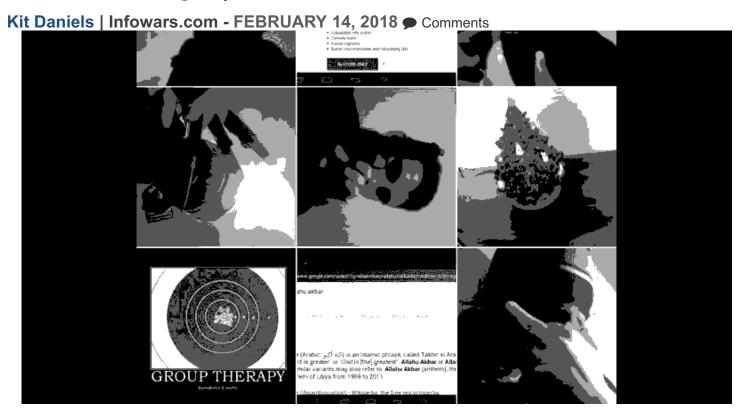


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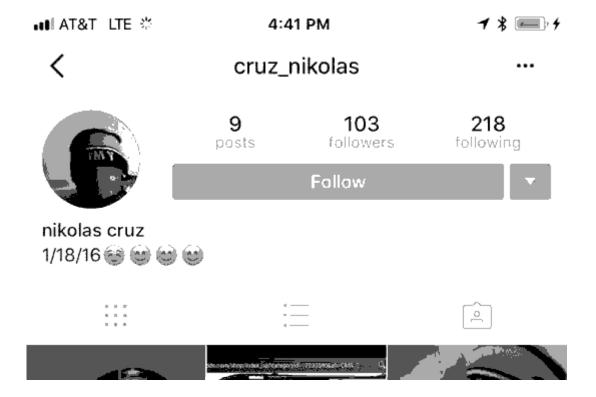
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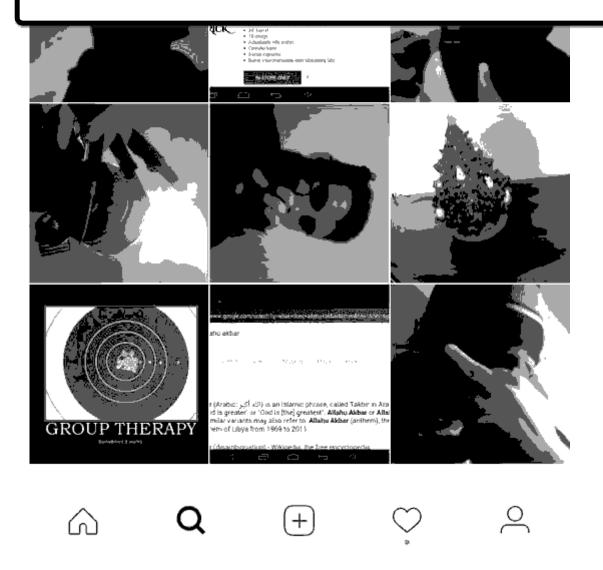
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MSM already covering it up



Alleged photos of the suspected Florida high school shooter make reference to various ideologies including communism and perhaps ISIS, and voter records suggest 19-year-old Nicolas Cruz was a Democratic voter.





Additionally, the shooter's garb is very similar to the style worn by ISIS fighters in Syria.

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Parkland Killer, Nicolas Cruz, was a known security threat & was not allowed to carry a backpack to school last year. Also belonged to Middle East Resistance groups on social media. A) How did he get in being a known-threat? B) Was this terror-related?

4:52 PM - Feb 14, 2018

556 people are talking about this

The Instagram account was taken down soon after the suspect was arrested.

The chanter was also suspected of having planted hombs, according to the police scanner

isiam siant back in 2013, but interestingly, there's also a 19-year-old Nicolas Cruz who s listed as a Democratic voter in Oakland Park, Florida, which may be the suspect (address blurred out to protect the innocent otherwise):









22 likes

cruz nikolas Well at least we now know what it means when a sand durka says "allahu Akbar" 😝 🖼 🖼

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DECEMBER 23, 2015.



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Full Name

Nombre completo : NICOLAS CRUZ

Street Address

Dirección : I



City

Ciudad: OAKLAND PARK

Zip Code

Código postal : 33311

County Name

Condado: BROWARD

Voter Gender

Género del votante : Male

Fecha de inscripción :

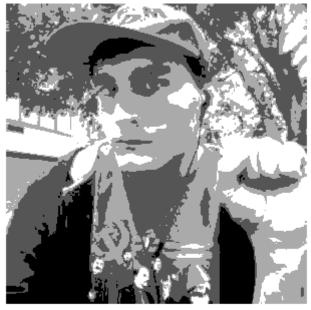
Party

Partido : Florida Democratic Party

Voter Status

Calificación como votante: Active*

And another alleged photo of the suspect shows communist garb:



R: 0
Shooter is a commie:
REEEEEEEEEEEE

This screenshot, found on a Japanese cartoon image board, was apparently taken right after the suspect was apprehended – and right before Instagram nixed the account:



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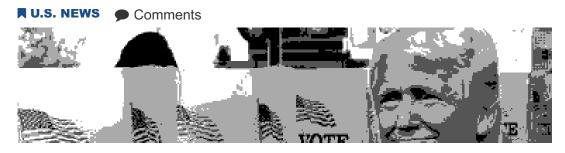
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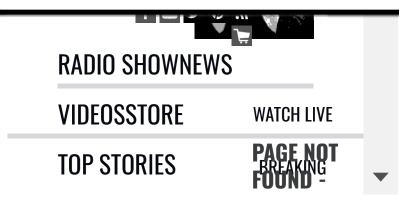




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EXHIBIT "B"

Exhibit "B"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANT KIT DANIELS

INTERROGATORY NO. 1: List all job titles you have held at InfoWars and the dates in which you held them.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 2: Describe your current job duties.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 3: List all instances in which you saw the photograph of Mr. Fontaine prior to publishing the article in question.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 4: Describe all steps you took prior to publication to assure yourself of the accuracy of the article in question.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 5: List all individuals you communicated with prior to publication regarding the photograph of Mr. Fontaine or the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 6: Do you contend that the members of the "deep state" or other agents of the U.S government or global elite are responsible for orchestrating and/or permitting the Douglas High School Shooting as part of a "false flag" operation, and if so, do you contend that Mr. Fontaine was involved in that "false flag" operation? State all facts supporting such contentions, if made.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 7: Describe the factual basis for any defense(s) to the causes of actions asserted in Plaintiff's petition.

ANSWER:

EXHIBIT "C"

Exhibit "C"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT KIT DANIELS

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 1: A copy of any contract between you and any other Defendant in this matter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 2: A copy of any documents in your possession or control prior to publication on February 14, 2018 regarding the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 3: All documents in your possession or control relating to the Plaintiff, the article in question, or efforts to ascertain the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

EXHIBIT "D"

Exhibit "D"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES <u>TO DEFENDANT ALEX JONES</u>

INTERROGATORY NO. 1: Identify all persons answering or supplying information used in answering these Interrogatories.

ANSWER:

<u>INTERROGATORY NO. 2:</u> Identify all business entities which derive revenue from the InfoWars website, including the sale of products through the InfoWars online store.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 3: Did you personally interview and hire Kit Daniels to perform work for InfoWars? If not, who did?

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 4: Are you Kit Daniels' immediate supervisor? If not, who is?

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 5: Describe the steps you require be taken before InfoWars publishes personal information or photographs in connection with a news story.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 6: Describe the steps you require be taken before InfoWars publishes personal information or photographs in connection with an allegation of serious criminal conduct.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 7: What is "truth journalism?"

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 8: List every video you have posted to the internet, under any of your personal social media accounts, since January 1, 2016 in which the title or description of the video includes the words "communist(s)," "communism," or "commie."

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 9: Do you contend that the members of the "deep state" or other agents of the U.S government or global elite are responsible for orchestrating and/or permitting the Douglas High School Shooting as part of a "false flag" operation, and if so, do you contend that Marcel Fontaine was involved in that "false flag" operation? State all facts supporting such contentions, if made.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 10: Identify the factual basis for any defense(s) to the causes of actions asserted in Plaintiff's petition.

ANSWER:

EXHIBIT "E"

Exhibit "E"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT ALEX JONES

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 1: A copy of all legal claims or lawsuits filed against you in the past ten years.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 2: A copy of any documents in your possession or control on February 14, 2018 regarding the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 3: All documents in your possession or control relating to the Plaintiff, the article in question, or efforts to ascertain the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 4: A copy of all insurance policies which may apply to any part of a judgment rendered in this case.

EXHIBIT "F"

Exhibit "F"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST SET OF INTERROGATORIES TO DEFENDANT INFOWARS, LLC

INTERROGATORY NO. 1: Identify all persons answering or supplying information used in answering these Interrogatories and identify their job duties at InfoWars.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 2: What kind business is InfoWars, LLC, *i.e.*, what does it do?

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 3: Describe the business relationship between InfoWars, LLC and Free Speech Systems, LLC.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 4: List every occasion and every medium by which any employee or agent of InfoWars caused Plaintiff's photograph to be published publicly.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 5: State the number of page views received by the article in question on February 14-15, 2018.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 6: List every occasion and every medium by which any employee or agent of InfoWars publicly posted a link, shared, or otherwise referenced the article in question.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 7: Identify every InfoWars employee or agent who was involved in the research, creation, or review of the article in question.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 8: Identify every source of information upon which InfoWars based its decision to publish Plaintiff's photograph.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 9: Identify and describe all communications between any employee or agent of InfoWars and any person outside the company relating to the Plaintiff, the article in question, or the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 10: Identify the factual basis for any defense(s) to the causes of actions asserted in Plaintiff's petition.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 11: Identity any electronically stored information or documents relevant to Plaintiff's petition or your defenses which have been destroyed, deleted, corrupted, damaged, overwritten, or otherwise lost.

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 12: List every article posted to the InfoWars website since January 1, 2016 in which the title of the article includes the words "communist(s)," "communism," or "commie."

ANSWER:

INTERROGATORY NO. 13: List every video posted to the internet by InfoWars since January 1, 2016 in which the title or description of the video includes the words "communist(s)," "communism," or "commie."

ANSWER:

EXHIBIT "G"

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PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR PRODUCTION TO DEFENDANT INFOWARS, LLC

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 1: A copy of an organizational chart for InfoWars, LLC.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 2: A copy of every version of the article in question which was published the InfoWars website.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 3: A copy, originating from whatever medium, for every occasion in which any employee or agent of InfoWars caused Plaintiff's photograph to be published.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 4: All communications within InfoWars relating to the Plaintiff, the article in question, or efforts to ascertain the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 5: All communications between any employee or agent of InfoWars and any third parties relating to the Plaintiff, the article in question, or the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 6: All documents in your possession or control relating to the Plaintiff, the article in question, or efforts to ascertain the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 7: All documents or communications received by InfoWars relating to the Plaintiff, the article in question, or efforts to ascertain the identity of the Douglas High School shooter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 8: All documents or electronic databases reflecting page views for InfoWars.com webpages on February 14-15, 2018.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 9: A copy of all comments posted to the article in question.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 10: All written or recorded statements made by any persons having knowledge of any facts concerning the publication of Plaintiff's photograph or the creation of the article in question.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 11: All demands for retraction or correction received by InfoWars in the past ten years.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 12: All documents relating to disciplinary or corrective actions taken against any employee or agent of InfoWars due to the publication of Plaintiff's photograph.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 13: All documents relating to disciplinary or corrective actions taken against any employee or agent of InfoWars due to the publication of false or incorrect information during the past ten years.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 14: All documents used to train or instruct InfoWars employees of the vetting of factual information for publication, as in effect on February 14, 2018.

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 15: All documents reflecting policies for the factual vetting of information published by InfoWars, as in effect on February 14, 2018.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 16: All documents setting forth InfoWars' editorial standards or guidelines, as in effect on February 14, 2018.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 17: All documents setting forth InfoWars' disciplinary rules or code of conduct for reporters and editorial staff, as in effect on February 14, 2018.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 18: All documents contained within Kit Daniel's personnel file.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 19: A copy of any employment agreements or other contracts between Kit Daniels and any other Defendant in this matter.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 20: A copy of all legal claims or lawsuits filed against InfoWars, LLC in the past ten years.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR PRODUCTION NO. 21: A copy of all insurance policies which may apply to any part of a judgment rendered in this case.

EXHIBIT "H"

Exhibit "H"

PLAINTIFF'S FIRST REQUESTS FOR ADMISSIONS TO DEFENDANT INFOWARS, LLC

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 1: Admit that prior to responding to these discovery requests, you searched all documents in your possession or control that may contain responsive information.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 2: Admit that the article attached as "Exhibit 1" to Plaintiff's petition accurately reproduces the content of an article published on the InfoWars website on February 14, 2018.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 3: Admit that Marcel Fontaine had no involvement in the Douglas High School Shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 4: Admit that Marcel Fontaine had no involvement in a false flag operation involving the Douglas High School Shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 5: Admit that individuals were killed in the Douglas High School Shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 6: Admit that InfoWars published false statements about the Chobani corporation.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 7: Admit that InfoWars published false statements about Comet Ping-Pong and James Alefantis.

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 8: Admit that InfoWars published false statements concerning the Sandy Hook school shooting.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 9: Admit that InfoWars published false statements concerning Brennan Gilmore.

RESPONSE:

REQUEST FOR ADMISSION NO. 10: Admit that InfoWars published false statements about the Sutherland Springs church shooting.